

Application No. 10/721,681 Amendment dated October 3, 2006 Reply to Office Action of April 4, 2006

## REMARKS

Applicant cancelled claims 1-38 without prejudice or disclaimer of their subject matter to expedite the processing of allowed claims 39-50.

In view of the foregoing, issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this reply, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

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